Amendments To The Title

Please replace the Title on page one with the following amended Title:

~~Method and System for~~ Securing the Contents of Data Storage Devices Within a Computer

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Please replace the paragraph on page 10, lines 23-30 with the following amended paragraph:

Returning to operation 206, if the security password has already been set for the device, the routine 200 continues to operation 208 shown on FIGURE 2C. Operation 208 prompts the user for a current security password. Upon a security password being entered, the routine 200 continues to operation 210 where the password [[in]] is received and is used in attempt to disable security for the data storage device 38A. Next the routine 200 continues to operation 213 where a determination of password validity is made. If the entry does not permit disabling the device 38A, it is invalid as a security password and the routine 200 continues to operation 214.

Please replace the paragraph on page 11, lines 1-10 with the following amended paragraph:

Operation 214 determines whether the password entry attempts have expired. If the attempts have not expired the routine 200 returns to operation 208 described above. If the entry attempts have expired, the routine 200 continues to operation 216 where a determination is made as to whether another drive has been selected for password manipulation. If another drive has not been selected, the routine 200 continues to operation 223 described above. If another drive has been selected, the routine 200 returns to operation 204 described above. In the alternative, entry of a security password to access security functionality may not be required. Utilizing, this alternative will give a user access to the security functions of any unlocked drive that supports the security feature set.